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The Weather

Fair Saturday night and Sunday; slightly warmer Sunday.

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GERMANY CALLS U. S.-BRITISH SHIP DEAL 'WAR-LIKE ACT'

Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor

ALEX. H. WASHBURN

Berlin Replies
The Verge of War

Berlin spoke today, not in the double-talk of diplomats but in the clipped words of an angry dictatorship. We have expected it as our material aid to Great Britain mounted daily, and so the actual moment of crisis finds us comparatively calm.

RAF Bombers
Raid Italian
Oil BasesGreeks Advance
With Fight
Centering Around
Tepeleni

ATHENS —(P)—RAF bombers raided Italian oil bases opposite Albania Saturday.

Large fires were started and there were subsequent explosions, the RAF said.

Dispatches from the fighting front said Greek forces captured an Italian colonel and two battalions in fierce fighting around Tepeleni.

Greek infantry men battling cold and a stubborn Fascist force were said to have occupied two villages and two strategically important heights in the Tepeleni area.

The heights captured were said strongly guarded with barbed-wire. One Greek report said:

"Our artillery successfully shelled the retreating Italians."

"While the enemy was being chased Italian planes attempted to halt our advance but our fighters took off and shot down four enemy aircraft."

Columbus Wins
Three GamesTiger School and
All-Star Teams
Down Washington

Three Columbus basketball teams won out over Washington at Columbus Friday night in fast contests that saw two Tiger stars players in their final high school game.

The Columbus junior team walloped Washington Juniors 22-6 in the first game and the senior boys took the second battle 39-25. In the final game Caldwell and Purdue, who played their last game for the high school, joined with the Columbus all-stars and help whip the Washington all-stars 59-22.

Christmas Dance at
Barlow December 25

It was announced here Saturday that a Christmas dance will be held at Hotel Barlow Wednesday night, December 25, with Tommy Kinsor's band furnishing the music. The dance will begin at 10 o'clock. The public is invited.

CRANIUM
CRACKERS

Figures in the Arts

Listed below are five groups of names, including well-known writers and artists in various fields. In each group, one name is out of place. Can you spot each and tell in what field all excel?

1. John Barbirolli, Frederick Stock, Arthur Rodzinski, John Gielgud.
2. Thomas Benton, George Bidde, William Saroyan, Boardman Robinson.
3. George Knafman, Sir Thomas Beecham, Robert E. Sherwood, Clifford Odets.
4. Kenneth Roberts, Howard Spring, Albert Haefler, Alfred Lunt.
5. Franz Werfel, Ogden Nash, Margaret Fishback, E. B. White.

Answers on Comic Page

Federal Mail Fraud Trial Exposes
Weird 'I Am' Cult in CaliforniaImmortality, Miracles and 'Cures'
Claimed by Cult

By PAUL HARRISON

NEA Service Staff Correspondent

LOS ANGELES — In this capital of cultism, spellbound disciples of the

Magic Presence of the Great I Am are getting some startling revelations

these days. Jamming a federal court-

room, hundreds of the faithful and

disillusioned are watching prosecu-

tors strip the "religious" mysticism

from what the government declares

was merely a racket.

The charge is mail fraud, and \$3-

000,000 is mentioned as the size of it.

Good-natured, meticulous Judge Leon

R. Yankwich—who even discarded his

robe because that I Amers regard

black as unfriendly—is having a hard

time keeping attorneys within the

bounds of relevancy.

Through a maze of fantastic detail

and esoteric jumbo-jumbo, the two

prosecutors are trying to get down

to tangible realities. They contend

the I AMers, Mrs. Edna Ballard,

her son and other indicted offi-

cials have used in using the mails

to sell a special brand of im-

mortality, cures for disease and

blindness, and various books and a

periodical, "The I AMers," containing

specific falsified "miraculous

benefits from spiritualizing" anything

from cash to automobiles.

Spiritual Visitation

On the first day of the limited evi-

dence which the jury will be charged

to weigh, Ballard lies an amaz-

ing story of an amazing movement.

Guy W. Ballard, who was not what

you'd call a religious man, founded it.

One day in 1929 he had a visitation by

a spirit called Saint Germain (no

true saint, according to church re-

cords). Ballard, who at the time hap-

pened to be under indictment for some

stock-selling activities in Illinois, was

told by the vision that he was the

incarnation of St. Germain and a fel-

low of such great purity and benevo-

lence that he should spread the I AM

gospel.

Not until 1934 did the movement as-

sume tangible form as the St. Ger-

main Press, an Illinois corporation, it

really went to work in New York

City. Said Witness Harry F. Sieber,

first I AM business manager: "Only

30 people came to our first class in

New York in 1934. But the classes con-

stantly increased . . . and after ex-

penses were paid we split from \$700

to \$1000 on each meeting."

For awhile, Ballard assumed the

name of St. Germain, though he also

was known as George Washington. By

any tag, he claimed eternal life. Ac-

cording to U. S. Attorney Norman

Neukom: "The Ballards were dealing

in 'ascensions' . . . selling immortality.

At first they said that a 100 per

cent student would depart this world

in his own body, intact, and would

not go to the grave. They quit push-

ing this theory when Mr. Ballard died

last December—died like any other

person.

His widow-successor announced he

merely had become an "Ascender Mas-

(Continued on Page Three)



Mrs. Edna Ballard . . . succeeded her husband as I AM leader.



Edna Eros Ballard . . . just call founder's son Lafayette for short.

Halifax Is New
Envoy to U. S. AAnthony Eden to
Become British
Foreign Minister

LONDON —(P)—The Daily Mail said Saturday that Lord Halifax would be the new British ambassador to the United States.

The authoritative British Press Association's parliamentary correspondent said early Saturday that Lord Halifax now was regarded as the most likely choice for the ambassadorship.

Halifax, foreign minister under both the late Neville Chamberlain and Winston Churchill, will be succeeded in that post by War Minister Anthony Eden, the paper said.

Lord Halifax has been attacked repeatedly by some newspapers for his handling of the Foreign Office, principally because of his coolness toward Russia.

Cabinet changes involved in the Halifax nomination—which the Daily Mail asserted had been handed to President Roosevelt—would include a post as yet undesignated for David Lloyd George, World war prime minister, the paper said. His specific job would be to spur the war effort at home.

Viscount Halifax succeeded Eden as secretary after the latter quit the cabinet of Neville Chamberlain on February 20, 1938, in a disagreement with Chamberlain over appeasement of Italy and Germany.

Each star rises approximately four minutes earlier than it did the preceding evening.

Bond Set For
CadenheadsPrescott Couple
Face Embezzle-
ment Charge

PRESCOTT, Ark.—Mr. and Mrs. Sam H. Cadenhead waived examining trials before Justice W. J. White this afternoon and were granted bail of \$1,000 and \$500 respectively, for appearance for trial in Circuit Court in January.

Mrs. Cadenhead made bail but Mr. Cadenhead's bond had not been made Friday night.

They are charged with the embezzlement of more than \$300 in funds belonging to the Nevada County Fair Association, of which Mrs. Cadenhead was secretary. Mr. Cadenhead had been secretary of the Prescott Chamber of Commerce three years, resigning November 1.

Negro Goodfellows
Make Plea for Aid

The negro Goodfellows are badly in need for help to make this Christmas a happy one for many unfortunate negro families in Hope.

They are appealing to all their friends to help as much as possible a call to 340 or 294 will bring a representative at once.

Long Time Needed

If you visit a different county in the state of Texas every day during the week, it would take about nine months to see them all. There are 254 in the state.

British Close
in on Fascist
Army at BardiaTrapped Italians
Try Desperately
to Break
Encirclement

CAIRO —(P)—While British bombers, artillery and warships were reported battering beleaguered Bardia in an effort to smash a path through Italian defenses, at headquarters communique declared Saturday, British troops have "captured an additional 900 prisoners and "were clearing the areas to the west of the eastern Libyan base."

"The British forces in the western desert also have taken four guns in their mopping up operations."

As the British closed in on Bardia large units of the trapped Fascist forces were said to be trying desperately to slip through the ring of steel around their eastern Libyan base under cover of darkness and dust after five days of bombardment.

It was believed in British circles that any attack through the desert would try to join the Italian army at Tobruk for a new offensive west of the Libyan Egyptian frontier.

The coastal road at Tobruk and Derna has been reported under almost constant naval and air bombardment.

The British are bringing up artillery to reinforce their advance column along the landward side of Bardia, while a line of warships along the coast has finished the encirclement. The battle of Bardia has become a siege. From all sides British guns are thundering at the 17-mile Italian defense front of tanks, gun emplacement and pill-boxes manned by an estimated 20,000 troops, survivors of the Fascist flight from Egypt.

Hal Kemp, Band
Leader DiesFamed Orchestra
Leader Succumbs
of Pneumonia

MADERA, Calif.—(P)—Hal Kemp, 35, orchestra leader, died Saturday of complications following injuries in an auto accident last Wednesday. Death was due to pneumonia. Physicians announced Friday his condition was grave and he was placed in an oxygen tent.

Research Expenditures

Industrial research in the United States during 1939 involved the expenditure of \$206,000,000 by 2000 individual companies and employed 32,000 scientists and engineers.

'Unbearable to Let Things
Drift Further,' Says Berlin,
Hinting at Drastic ReprisalFirst Definitely Hostile Statement
Comes Out of Berlin Saturday —
Meanwhile, France Refuses to Re-shape
Her Cabinet to Germany's Wishes

BERLIN —(P)—A German foreign office spokesman declared Saturday that a British suggestion that the U. S. turn over ships to England was "nothing less than a war-like act."

He asserted that Germany "had shown restraint to the point of self-effacement," while "on the other side there has been a systematic policy of pin-pricks, challenges, humiliation and even moral aggression."

Now, the spokesman added, in commenting on British-American discussions of aid to Britain, "it is unbearable for Germany to let things drift further."

(In Washington Secy. Hull declined comment.)

The statements came at a solemn press conference, one of the most serious ever held by the German foreign office spokesman.

(Ronald Cross, British minister of shipping, said Friday in London that the assignment of a certain number of enemy ships in the U. S. and the addition of U. S. ships to the British service "are the only ways I can see of replenishment of consequence.")

"The German government for some time has become accustomed to formulations by American officialdom which are guided by certain rabulistic characteristics," the German spokesman said.

"Demands and interpretations are launched as though the action contemplated did not fall within the scope of practices defined by international law."

"English-American discussions over U. S. aid have become increasingly interesting because it is unbearable for Germany to let things drift further."

French Reject Nazi Demand

VICHY —(P)—Informed sources said Fernand de Brinon, French ambassador in German occupied Paris acting on orders of Petain delivered to the Germans Saturday France's refusal to make any changes in its cabinet or take back ousted Pierre Laval.

Petain agreed as requested by Otto Abetz, German ambassador to Paris, to replace General de LaLaurencie as delegate-general of the Vichy government in the occupied zone with Fernand de Brinon, these sources said.

W. H. Herndon
Dies SuddenlyRelative of Hope
Man Succumbs
at Magnolia

MAGNOLIA — W. H. Herndon, 60, secretary of the Magnolia A. and M. College since June, 1922, died from a cerebral hemorrhage at his home on the campus Friday.

A native of Brownstown, Sevier county, he held a clerical position with a wholesale grocery at Nashville before assuming the college post. Surviving are his wife, the former Miss Zo Garrison of Brownstown; a daughter, Mrs. Kimbrough Harrington of Magnolia; his mother, Mrs. Carrie Herndon of Ardmore, Okla.; three brothers, Luther J. of Ardmore, Okla., Ernest of Tulsa, Okla., and Roy Herndon of Tulsa, Okla.; and two sisters, Mrs. Smith Spencer of Ardmore, Okla. Funeral services will be held at 11 a. m. Saturday at the Lewis funeral home here by the Rev. J. B. Luck and the Rev. Roy Fawcett. Burial will be in Nashville cemetery at 3 p. m. Saturday.

W. H. Herndon was a first cousin of R. V. Herndon of Hope.

COTTON

By the Associated Press

New Orleans:					
January	10.05	10.05	10.06		
March	10.19	10.20	10.19	10.20	
May	10.13	10.15	10.13	10.12	
July	9.92	9.92	9.91	9.91	
October	9.37	9.37	9.36	9.36	
December	9.34			9.31	

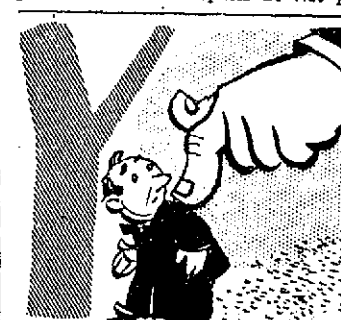
New York:					
January	10.02	10.02	10.02	10.02	
March	10.16	10.17	10.14	10.15	
May	10.10	10.11	10.03	10.09	
July	9.88	9.88	9.84	9.86	
October	9.35	9.34	9.33	9.34	
December				9.31	

Middling spot 10.36.

Rev. Parsons
to Preach HereYoung Preacher
to Speak at
Baptist Church

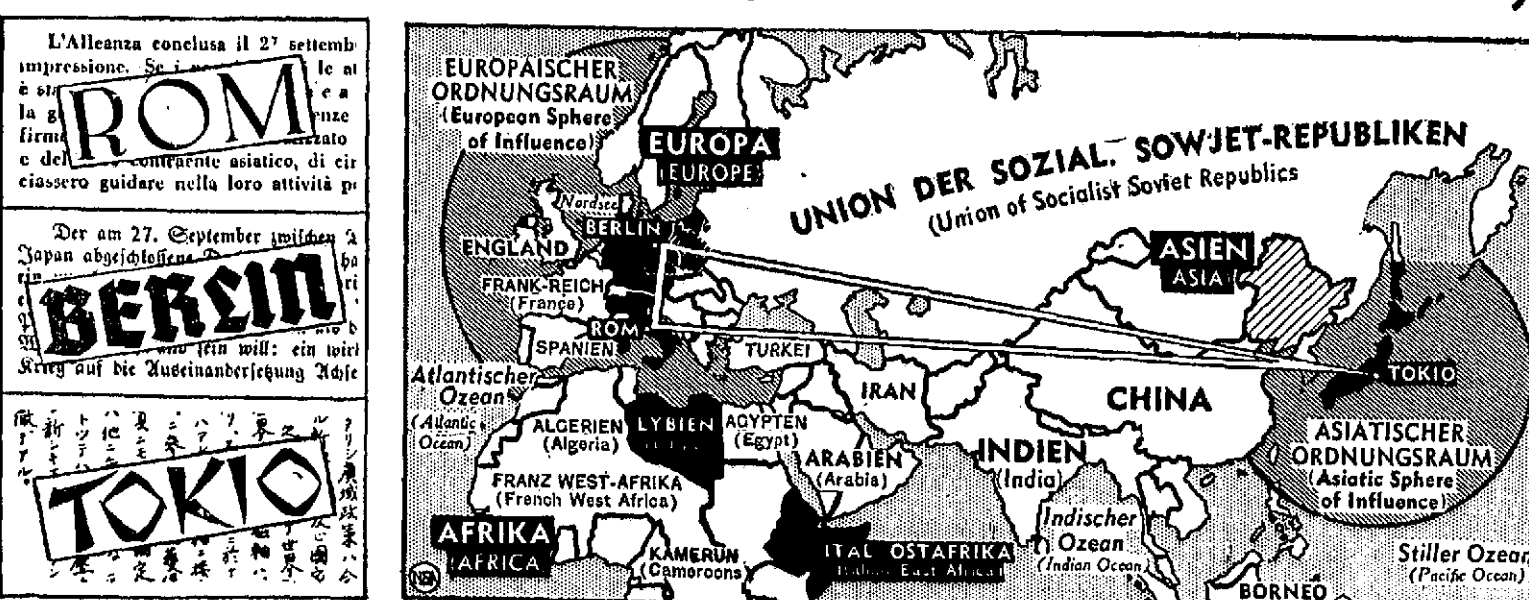
The Rev. William R. Parsons, Louisville, Kentucky will preach at the Sunday evening Service of First Baptist church. The Pastor will administer the Ordinance of Baptism and the choir will render special Christmas music.

The Rev. William R. Parsons, brother of Mrs. M. S. Bates of Hope, was ordained by First Baptist Church last fall before leaving for his second year's work in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville. Mr. Parsons is well known in church circles here. He has filled the pulpit on previous occasions and had charge of boys' handwork in the first annual Vacation Bible School of First Baptist Church a year and a half ago. His many friends will be glad of this opportunity to meet and hear him again. The service opens at 7:30 p. m.



IS FOR YOU,
AND IT'S YOU
WE REMIND.....
THAT ALL BUT TWO
DAYS ARE NOW LEFT
BEHIND.....
2 SHOPPING DAYS
TILL CHRISTMAS

Here's How Germany Maps World of the Axis Today



How the Rome-Berlin-Tokio axis appears to German cartographers is shown in this map, which appeared in Die Wehrmacht, Berlin magazine. Reprinted above, with English translations, the map shows that Rome and Berlin are snugly close, but it is long way to the Tokio end of the axis. Text that appeared below the map, in Italian, German, and Japanese

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The Electoral College Follies

When people holding government jobs want those jobs abolished, that's news.

It happened when the Electoral College met in the various state capitals on Dec. 16 and elected Franklin D. Roosevelt President of the United States. The Texas electors adopted a resolution declaring obsolete the very act in which they were engaged, and asking an amendment to abolish the whole business. The New York electors voted to donate their \$2000 traveling expenses to the Warm Springs Foundation. Three of the Indiana electors actually mis-spelled the name of their favorite son, Wendell Willkie. One Pennsylvania elector inadvertently voted for himself, changing the vote to Roosevelt only when the slip was called to his attention.

Very few people any longer defend this quadrennial make-believe. The historical reasons for its establishment, valid enough at the time, no longer exist. Why don't we change it? Sheer inertia! This lazy unwillingness to modernize our government machinery and keep it abreast of today's civilization is a bad thing.

Pending since 193 has been the Norris-Lea bill which would abolish the quadrennial farce and modernize our elections. This provides simply that the people shall vote directly for presidential candidates (not for electors as at present), and that the names of those candidates shall be placed on state ballots under the same rules as apply to candidates for governor in each state. Each state would be entitled, as now, to as many presidential votes as it has Senators and Representatives.

Here two alternatives are proposed. One is that the state's presidential vote shall be proportioned as the popular vote. The other is that the popular majority in each state shall carry all that state's presidential vote with it.

Senator Norris favored the first plan, but now inclines to agree to the second because he doesn't think the states would agree to the first.

To Senator Norris the principal advantage of the proposed plan, aside from abolishing useless lumber, is that it would make possible independent candidates for president.

Today, after the big party conventions, there is no time for an independent party movement to organize the precinct-by-precinct setup required by the electoral system. But it could be done, state by state. This possibility would, Norris believes, exert a good influence on party conventions, and give the people an "out" should both choose poor candidates.

It is too late, of course, for the present congress to do anything about this. But in January a new congress comes into being, and it would do well to pass immediately something similar to the Norris-Lea resolution, so that the proposal to modernize our election system by constitutional amendment could be gotten under way.

World's most congested traffic area is the Place de l'Opera, Paris; Park avenue and 57th street, New York City, ranks second.

MARKET REPORT

Courtesy McRae Mill & Feed Co.

Heavy hens	8 to 9c lb.
Leghorns	7c
Broilers	Lb. 14c
Eggs	17c doz
Geese	50c - 60c each
Ducks	20c - 25c each
Turkeys	10 to 12c lb.

Answer to Cranium Cracker

Questions on Page One

1. John Gielgud is an actor; the other three are orchestra conductors.
2. William Saroyan is a writer of short stories and plays; the other three are artists.
3. Sir Thomas Beecham is an orchestra conductor; the other three are playwrights.
4. Alfred Lunt is an actor; the other three are novelists.
5. Franz Werfel is a novelist; the other three are verse writers.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM LATEST BOOKS

Deeping Novelizes The Saxon Invasion of British Isles

Centuries ago Britain fought German invasion, when Saxon tribes crossed the Channel, over-ran the country, attempting to destroy the British-Roman civilization of the island. Today Britain meets a new threat of invasion.

Warwick Deeping takes you back to that first conflict, compares it with its modern counterpart in his new novel, "The Man Who Went Back" (Knopf \$2.00). It is an engaging study, packed enough excitement and romance to satisfy thrill hunters.

John Hallard, English engineer, is the man who goes back. Injured in an automobile crash, he awakens as Pellias, the coward, in the fifth century. Instead of populated, busy English countryside, he sees forests, fields, Roman temples.

He soon discovers that the Pellias whose body he has taken is a coward despised by Meona, beautiful, wilful daughter of the Roman patrician. But the new Pellias becomes a courageous leader, in the war against the invading Saxons.

Deeping's manner of putting 1940 John Hallard's thoughts into 4th century mind permits the contrast of invasion then and now. And to Pellias and Meona, the wandering, ravaging Germanic tribes are as much a danger as Nazi air raiders today.

In addition, the author presents an almost untouched period of British history, when Roman influence remained although Roman might had almost disappeared. Ancient customs, warfare, come to life. Christianity is as yet the religion of slaves, but old Aurelius Superbus, magnificent patrician, can see the beginning of the end for his Roman gods.

But love is the same in the 5th century or the 20th century. It is inevitable that Pellias should fall in love with Meona and by his courageous deed should win her respect and love.

"The Man Who Went Back" is an unusual novel, and a most readable one.

MIND YOUR MANNERS

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Test your knowledge of correct social usage by answering the following questions, then checking against the authoritative answers below:

1. When friends have a baby is it necessary to send the baby a gift?
2. Must a mother write thank-you notes to all who send presents to her baby?
3. May you refuse to be a god-parent if you are asked?
4. When writing a business letter to a man whose wife you know, is it all right to add: "Please remember me to Emily?"
5. Is it a good idea for parents to have their children "show off" their talents for guests by having them recite every verse they know?

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FRANKLIN'S FURNITURE STORE will buy furniture, stoves, log chains, crosscut saws, hoes and axes, 112 South Elm. Hope. 2-lme

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POCKETBOOK IN FRONT OF Bryant's drugstore. Apply at Star office. 20-3th

What would you do if—
You are choosing a nurse for your child—
(a) Take into consideration the way the nurse speaks
(b) Consider if, unimportant whether or not the nurse has a pleasant voice and speaks good English, as you can correct any bad speaking habits the child might pick up from her?

1. It is the parent's duty to do, if one can afford it.
2. Yes.
3. Not without seeming rude.
4. Yes.
5. Parents should be careful not to have their children "perform" so much the children become show-offs and guests are bored.

Best "What Would You Do" solution—(a).

BARBS

Statistics show that much of the time a checkered career leads to a striped suit.

Further rationing is likely for Britons after the holidays—but there'll be no hitch in the belts they're handling the Germans.

The Duke and Duchess are about to lose a tooth, hope Col. Leonard P. Ayres is half right in his prediction that America will have areas of boom and slump in 1941.

The quitter usually is laughed at by the fellow who hasn't the nerve to begin.

For the annual "picnic of the status," a table one mile long was built along a tree-lined street in Ontario, Calif.

Bruce Catton Says:

By BRUCE CATTON, NEA Washington Correspondent

Plan Might Mean Enduring Peace in Northwest

WASHINGTON — There never was a stranger last act to a strike than the transcontinental telephone conference which ended the troublesome north-west coast lumber strike.

The strike had dragged on for weeks, and peace was being restored by degrees. A formula was finally worked out for a 5-cent-per-hour pay raise and vacations with pay, and the struck mills were brought into line one by one. It at last got to a point where 12 strike-closed mills in Tacoma remained.

These strikers were willing to settle—provided a settlement could also be reached at two logging camps back in the hills. The loggers had walked out on a less in sympathy with the Tacoma mill hands, and the mill-workers insisted they wouldn't sign until the loggers were taken care of.

Chief trouble was that the heads of the two logging camps were out of town and couldn't be located. 4-Way Hookup

It developed, then, that one of them—L. T. Murray, president of the West Fork Logging Co.—was in New York, attending the convention of the National Manufacturers Association.

Learning this, Conciliation Commissioner John Steelman of the Labor Department explained the situation to E. D. Bransome, president of the Vanadium Corporation of America and industrial representative on the labor advisory staff of the Defense Commission. Bransome hunted up Murray in New York, told him what was up, and sold him on Steelman's idea for a long-distance conference.

Next day a four-way telephone hookup was arranged. Steelman got on the phone in Washington. Murray picked up his phone in his New York hotel. O. Marshall, Steelman's west coast representative, and Earl Hartley, president of the Puget Sound District Council of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners.

These four men talked for 50 minutes, at an approximate cost to Uncle Sam of just about \$100. When they got through, they were in agreement. Murray accepted the 5-cent raise, and in lieu of paid vacations—which just

weren't feasible in logging camps—offered a further increase in pay to make up the difference. This, in turn, satisfied Hartley, who agreed that the remaining logging camp could be taken care of later.

Result was that the last of the struck mills reopened next day.

Steelman is elated by the settle-

ment for more reasons than one. First, he is tickled by the way industry, labor and the defense commission worked together. "It was really Bransome who made the conference possible," he remarks—and second, he sees possibilities of vast importance in one clause of the agreement which ended the strike.

This clause, in brief, says that there will be further negotiations concerning wages next March, by which time a special study of conditions in the Douglas fir industry is to be completed by Dexter Keezer, president of Reed College.

Dr. Keezer is to make this study for the workers and employers together,

Most of the American importations of vanadium come from Peru and Rhodesia.

OUR BOARDING HOUSE

with . . . Major H. Upole



BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

Now What?

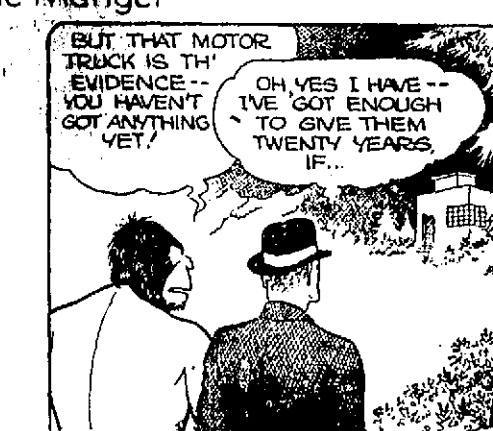
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ALLEY OOP

Dog in the Manger

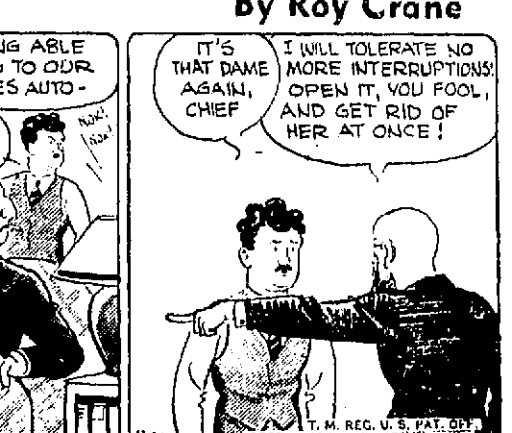
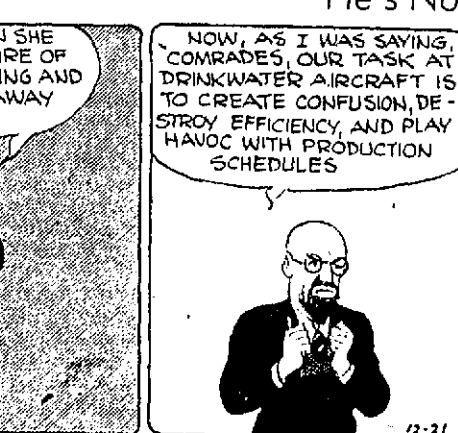
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He's Not Fooling

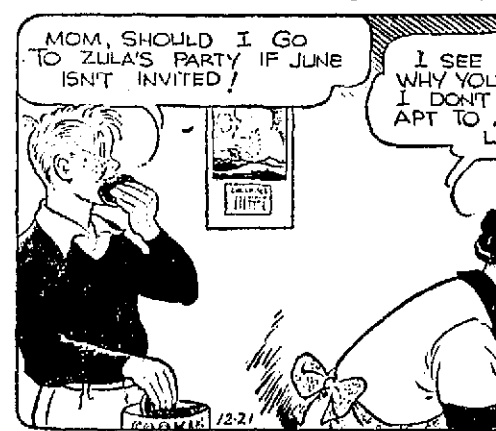
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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

Just Be Patient

By Merrill Blosser



RED RYDER

Not So Fast, Boys

By Fred Harman



OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams



SOCIETY

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Social Calendar

Sunday, December 22nd
The annual Christmas pageant of the First Presbyterian church will be presented at the church, 5 o'clock.

Monday, December 23rd
Miss Marion Smith will compliment Miss Mary Ann Lile, bride-elect of Remond Hughes Young at an afternoon party, 3 o'clock.

Marriage of Miss McCulley, David McGhee, Jr., is Announced

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McCulley of Hope, Arkansas, have announced the marriage of their daughter, Jewelle, to David A. McGhee, Jr., of Nashville, Arkansas. The impressive double ring ceremony was read October 26, at the home of the officiating minister, Rev. Fred R. Harrison, at Arkadelphia, Arkansas, in the presence of relatives of the bride.

Mrs. H. Zeylon Holly, the bride's sister, served as matron of honor. She wore a rose jersey dress with navy accessories, and her corsage was a pink radiance rose buds.

Joe McCulley, brother of the bride, served as groomsmen.

The bride was very becomingly gowned in an original model of solid blue wool, with matching full-length coat trimmed with sequins. Her accessories were in navy and her corsage was of gardenias and tuberoses.

Mrs. McGhee is a graduate of Hope High School and for the past several years has been secretary to Attorneys John P. Vesey and Steve Curran. The groom was educated in Illinois and has taken an engineering course at Texas A. & M.

The young couple are spending the Christmas holidays in St. Louis, Missouri and points in Illinois, and after January 1 will be domiciled in Nashville, Arkansas, where the groom is an Engineer in the Soil Conservation Service.

THE CHRISTMAS GIFT OF ENJOYMENT!



Now on Sale—Saenger Book Store—Anytime

Emanuel Club Christmas Dinner Party

Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Carter Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Nick Jewell, Mr. and Mrs. Terrell Cornelius, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. McDavitt on Friday evening in the main dining room of the Barlow. Centering the circular table was an artistic arrangement of Christmas greens flanked with glowing tapers.

After the delightful dinner the guests went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. McDavitt, where gifts were distributed from a brightly lighted tree.

Mr. A. C. Kolb Entertains

The annual Christmas party of the Friday music club was held on Friday night at the home of Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Kolb. An illuminated tree and shining stars were used to add a festive air to the occasion.

Mrs. Henry Haynes directed the interesting game and contests enjoyed by the members present. Gifts were distributed from the tree for each member.

A delicious desert plate was served by the hostess, followed by the singing of Christmas carols.

Personal Mention

The many friends of Miss Beryl Henry will sympathize with her in the passing of her brother, Judge W. A. Utley of Benton on Friday morning at his home in that city.

Dale Carlton of Jacksonville, Florida will spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Carlton.

Mrs. H. C. Whitworth was a Friday visitor in Little Rock.

R. E. Cain is spending a few days in Louisiana points.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Doyett of Little Rock will arrive next week for a holiday visit with relatives and friends in the city.

Friends of Mrs. Brice Thomas will regret to know that she is ill at her home on North Main street.

Thomas Cannon left Thursday for DeWitt to visit his brother, Rudolph Cannon, before going to his home in Grady for a visit with his parents.

Paul Waddle of Oklahoma University, Norman, is expected in the city Saturday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Waddle.

Dorsey Ray Fuller of Henderson State Teachers college, Arkadelphia, is in the city for a two week visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Fuller.

Mr. and Mrs. Royce Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Bacon of Shreveport are the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Jones.

Friends of Mrs. Joe Lanster will regret to know that she is ill at her home on Park Drive.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Bailey of Bay City, Texas arrived Saturday morning to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Que McAdams and other relatives and friends.

Miss Mary Nell Carter will spend the holidays in Kansas City, Mo. with her aunt, Mrs. F. Ashcraft (Mary Carter), and Mr. Ashcraft.

Mr. and Mrs. William Summerville left Friday for Albia, Arkansas to be the guests of Mrs. Summerville's parents.

Dick Ligon has gone to Conway for a visit with his parents, but will return to Hope during the holidays for a visit with his sister, Mrs. J. R. Henry, and Mr. Henry.

Miss Mary Shall left Friday for her home in Loneoke, where she will spend the Christmas holidays.

Robert Singleton of the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, has arrived to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Singleton. Robert is wearing a Lambda Chi pledge pin.

Miss Patty Thompson left Saturday morning for Fayetteville to spend the two-week vacation with her parents.

Church News

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Minister, J. A. Copeland

Bible Classes meet at 10 o'clock a. m.

Young Peoples Bible Class, 6 p. m.

Preaching, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

Sermon Sunday morning will be "Sacrifices." Much is said at this time about gifts, but the greatest gift to man is the Lord Jesus Christ. The Gospel Chain, will be the subject Sunday night.

FIRST CHRISTIAN

North Main & West Avenue B
John Keith Gregory, Minister

Bible School 9:45 a. m.

Morning worship and communion service, 10:30 o'clock. "The X" in "Xmas."

Christmas Eve service, 7:30 o'clock. Evening worship service, 7:30 o'clock. White Christmas offering and drama: "My Heart Shall Not Fail."

Christmas tree program, Tuesday, December 24th, 7:30 o'clock.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Thos. Brewster, Minister

Sunday School 9:45 a. m. with classes for all age groups.

Morning Worship at 10:55 a. m. with special music and Christmas message by the pastor.

The morning loose change offering

Toyland Is Divided Over "War Or Peace"



The question of "war or peace?" in Toyland may be fought out on the living room floor on Christmas morning. There may be a peaceful, quietly domestic scene, as shown at left, or the youngsters may create a veritable war zone, like that at right. Peaceful, American-way-of-life toys include sets and equipment for building scientists to pursue their hobbies. Among them are realistic dive bombers, pursuit ships, field artillery, battle-



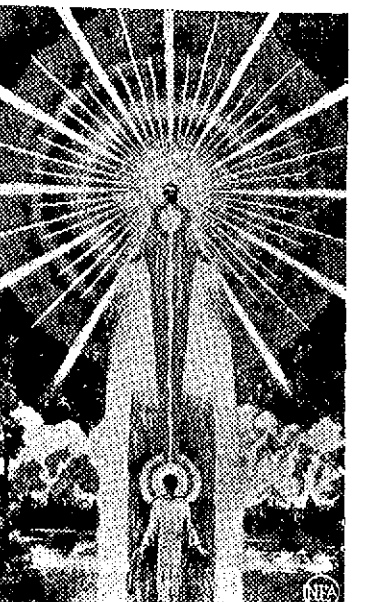
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Come and make this a real service of worship and thanks.

Our Young People as is their custom will engage in Community Carol singing again this year.

You are cordially invited to worship God with us many of the services.

By MARIAN YOUNG

NEA Service Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK — It seems as if Toyland, like the world itself, is divided on the question of "peace or war?" For in this year's Christmas displays, martial toys compete for attention with ones that represent America's peaceful way of life—its arts, sciences, and homes.

You can make it possible for the children in your home to play at farming, homemaking, bridge-building, magazine printing and the like. Or you can provide them with exciting toys with which to stage battles across the nursery rug, to build forts, battle ships and airplanes, and to carry on naval maneuvers as well.

America's interest in national defense is interestingly reflected in the toy departments by the increased number of battleships and airplane miniatures. There's a submarine that dives and rises again to the surface. There are airplane carriers with planes that actually take off. Workable gas airplane engines are features, and so are realistic models of coast defense forts and anti-aircraft guns.

The patriotic motif is featured on such traditional favorites as paper kites, balloons, drums and box kites.

The American scene is reproduced for youngsters in play sets of farms, schoolhouses, stores, city streets, beaches and railway stations with miniature figures to be moved about to create different effects.

Every Phase of American

Every phase of the American way of life—domesticity, progress in science, art and literature, business, agriculture and the professions—is more prevalent than ever before in toy departments.

There's real news in the doll departments. You'll find here a doll with a magnetic hand that holds a flag or purse securely. Another is made of flexible plastic which wrinkles like real skin and, after the child holds it awhile, becomes warm. Teen-age dolls have pompadour hair-do's and fashionable costumes for every social occasion.

Stuffed animals are growing realistic of real ones. The excellent bear instead of squeaking like a mouse, can stand on all four feet. The happy pup is a gay little dog with open, laughing mouth and rolling eyes that will fascinate children. A monkey has flexible arms and legs which can be bent in all directions to depict him indulging in all sorts of "monkey-shines."

Soap Toys to Help Baby

Bathe

Newest development in the stuffed animal kingdom is a long-pile, delustrized rayon fabric which can be sponged off with a damp cloth to remove surface dust and dirt. It looks

and feels like real hair, does not shed easily and comes with curly as well as straight, long-haired surface. Also new is the use of hard rubber for noses and soft rubber for tongues.

For very young children, there's a new line of hard, satin-smooth, wood toys. These include sets with which three different kinds of vehicles can be built by simple manipulation of parts. Also fine fore pre-school age cars are play-room fleets of trucks and carts of knotty pine and new construction toys with which tiny fingers can build convoy trailers, airplanes, sedans and other vehicles.

A spouting whale is a new rubber bath toy. And some of the soap toys are sure to make any youngster love bath time a great deal more than he does now.

Soap rabbits, mice, puppies and kittens are covered with terry cloth. Three white soap bears with brown soap neckties are lined up on a toboggan. Soap ducks cavort on an imitation pond. And, for a nine-year-old boy whose chief interest is football, there's a football of brown soap with a rough surface which simulates pilskin.

Knows Tight Case

When Sees One

TULSA, Okla.—(AP)—"The defendant," said the accusation on file, "was voluntarily in a state of mud-dile and maudlin intoxication and

drunken, besotted, befuddled and stupefied thereby and so completely under the influence thereof as to have appreciably affected and impaired the normal control of his body, muscles, eyesight, nerves and physical and mental facilities and his ability to properly drive, control, manage and operate a motor vehicle and so completely drunk as to necessitate his laying in jail a number of hours thereafter to be revived."

Farmer, 68, Hikes

40 Miles to Grange

BANGOR, Me.—(AP)—Mark L. Howard, 68, hiked through deep snow from Bangor to Bangor—40 miles—to attend the Maine grange sessions.

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ASCAP vs. BMI

What a Row

Songwriters May

Take Airs Off

the Air Jan. 1

By TOM WOLF

NEA Service Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK—The radio bells which

ring in the New Year of 1941 will toll the knell of much of the music Americans know and love the best.

The hearts of the radio broadcasters

and of the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers do not beat in three-quarter time. The

broadcasters will not renew their contracts with ASCAP—America's most

powerful group of musical copyright holders and ASCAP will take its

copyrighted music off the air.

In ASCAP's library of perhaps 2,000,

000 melodies are the majority of the

favorites—standard popular, and

classical—of the past 50 years. These

copyrights extend for 28-year

terms. The radio broadcasters will be

hard put to replace the perennial

favorites ranging from "Swanee

Reel," "The Stars and Stripes

Forever," "Makin' the Grade," "From

Armenia," "Stardust," "St. Louis

Blues," and the present top popu-

lar hits.

As ASCAP goes, so go the melodies

of America's best-known modern

composers, from Victor Herbert, John

Philip Sousa, and Ferde Grofe to Ber-

lin, Cohen, Gershwin, Hart, Hammer-

stein, Kern, Porter, Rodgers, Rom-

berg and Youmans.

Broadcasters Establish Rival

To fill this gap, the broadcasters,

prompted by the big networks, called

a special convention in September

1939 to establish a rival to ASCAP—

Broadcast Music, Inc. To date, some

452 stations, representing over 90 per

cent of the industry, large and small,

have bought shares of BMI's \$1,500,

000 stock.

BMI's first catalogue appeared early

last April—with five tunes. Today

it has grown to cover over 200,000—

including most of the Latin-American

music heard on the radio; some of the

most important hill-billy music; Amer-

ican folk songs; Western songs; ballads;

sacred music; "Songs of the Sunny

South"; "Songs Children Love to

Sing"; etc.

These tunes, plus those songs that

are in the "public domain" (i. e., their

copyrights have expired), plus any

new hits BMI can find—these will

compose America's radio musical fare

until ASCAP and the broadcasters

come to terms.

Broadway wiseacres think BMI

stands for "Bad Music Indefinitely."

BMI replies:

—Our music has already been heard

exclusively on most sustaining pro-

grams for some time, without com-

plaint. 2—Listeners today are more

concerned with the band playing a

tune than the music itself; and most

of the "name" bands are playing BMI

songs. 3—No one missed Herbert,

Porter, Youmans, Kern, and Rom-

berg—great as they are—when their

tunes were pulled off the air for six

months in 1938.

Long-Time Quarrel

The present battle royal of music

is the climax of a fight as old as

radio. The specific issues are man-

ifested. Radio's biggest kick is against

being charged a percentage of its

income—part of which comes from

nonmusical programs. The broadcast-

ers want to pay for music on a per-

program-used basis.

ASCAP's president, sentimental,

old-timer Gene Buck, replies: "Con-

servatively, 70 per cent of every radio

operation is music. Music is the back-

bone of radio. An individual program

is only part of an integrated mass of

radio entertainment. Because it's an

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"Army Day" Program Benefit National Guard Sunday, Saenger

'Rangers of Fortune' Stirring Screen Epic

A trio of cactus cavaliers will ride into the Saenger theater Sunday with a pair of flying hoofs and a pair of "Yipies," carrying with them the charm of the chivalry and the explosive drama of the old Southwest which are unrivaled on the screen in Paramount's "Rangers of Fortune."

Into a drama that is epic in quality, scope and action, Paramount has introduced the charm and imaginative directing of Sam Wood. Already famed for his handling of "Goodbye, Mr. Chips" and "Our Town," Mr. Wood here reveals hitherto unsuspected talents, particularly a flair for furious, snappy action.

The characterization of the trio of desert marauders, played by Fred MacMurray, Albert Dekker and Gilbert Roland is the high spot of this delightful film. They are a combination of Robin Hood's gang and The Three Musketeers—thieves, rogues, soundrels, or knights on horseback as the occasion demands.

Defy Land Robbers
Fresh from a scrape with Mexican border troops, they bump into a situation in the little town of Santa Marta that fits their particular talents. A small newspaper publisher, fighting a land grabbing gang, has been assaulted and forced out of business. The battling trio take over for him, and issue a defiance to the land robbers.

In the course of their adventures, Fred MacMurray becomes romantically involved with Patricia Morison. The publisher's little grand-daughter, Betty Brewer, abets the romance and proves important in finally establishing the fault of Joseph Schildkraut as the leader of the gang.

Has Roaring Climax
The climactic scenes of fight havoc and cowboy warfare are filmed with originality and a tremendous emotional impact.

As the leading characters of the drama, MacMurray and Miss Morison are both impressive and convincing. In addition to young Miss Brewer's performance, that of Albert Dekker as the punch drunk cowboy who uses fight-ringing tactics to subdue his enemies, is a standout.

County Auditor Not So Blind

LIMA, Co.—(P)—Auditor Floyd Griffin of Allen county is going to have Venetian blinds at his office windows after all.

County commissioners, who refused to approve purchase of the blinds, recently yisigned requisitions from Griffin for a "jalousie." Later someone consulted a dictionary. It defined "jalousie" as "a blind or shutter having horizontal slats."

Answering the Mail Orders

Move on in Congress to Investigate Plane Crash

By JACK STINNETT
WASHINGTON — Answering the mail orders:
W. R. Kansas City, Mo.—There is a move on in Congress to investigate the recent plane crashes. The resolution was introduced by Rep. Carl Hinshaw, California Republican, who, commenting on his motion, said:
"It is not meant to get a fishing expedition or a witch hunt; it is meant merely to find out the truth and do the best thing we can to improve and promote civil aeronautics."

So far as I can find out, there is no indication anywhere that any official in congress or out is willing to group recent accidents under one heading and place the mat the door of any single cause. Even Mr. Hinshaw, who introduced the investigation resolution, stated clearly that the purpose of the investigating committee would be to discover the causes, not to prove something already known.

It is true, as you say, that the three accidents which have occurred since Aug. 31 (at Lovettsville, Va., 25 dead, including Sen. Ernest Ludeen; near Salt Lake City, 10 dead; and at Chicago, 12 dead) all have occurred since abolition of the Air Safety Board and that for nearly a year and a half before the board was abolished there were no fatal accidents on commercial airlines.

But no charge has been made, publicly or privately, as far as I know, that the absence of the board has anything to do with these accidents. If you recall, it was written here some time in the spring that the Department of Commerce (of which the Civil Aeronautics Authority now is a part) would be on the spot the first time there was a serious accident.

T. L. T. Ponca City, Okla.—I believe the first bill for reappointment of congressmen under the 1940 census has already been filed. It is authored by Rep. John E. Rankin (D.-Miss.) and provides for increasing the size of the House from 435 to 450 members.

Mr. Rankin says that under his bill (calculated on the so-called method of equal proportions), only Oklahoma and Kansas would lose representatives

Saenger—Starts Sunday



"RANGERS OF FORTUNE"

(one each), while California would gain three, and one additional would be allotted to each of the following: Alabama, Arizona, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Oregon, Tennessee, Texas and Wisconsin.

The way I figure it (counting California and New York as usually Democratic in recent years) that would mean a net gain of seven Democrats under Mr. Rankin's bill. That should explain further why there is going to be such a congressional fight over this proposition of reappointment.

M. M. J. Abilene, Texas—Thank you for the little calendar that spots dates and days of the week clear back to A. D. and so far in the future. It's the first time in all these years that I have known that I am one of "Saturday's children," being born on that day, and it's absolutely fascinating to figure out that in the year 2000 Christmas and New Year's will fall on Monday and that on both Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve in Washington, D. C. the saloons and liquor stores will be closed tight, unless Congress does something about it in the meantime.

K. D. Detroit, Mich.—Here is about 60-40 that President Roosevelt will appoint a chairman for general coordinator of the national defense program . . . and you . . .

Facts About Capital People

Jesse Jones, Texan, Makes Hunting History

By JACK STINNETT

WASHINGTON—Capital people: Bein' a Texan and not exactly a young man, he is an A-1 hunter and a crack shot because 40 years ago there were few men in that country worth their salt who couldn't get a quail with each barrel and drop a deer as far as he could draw a bead.

But this man has Nimrod's own rabbit-foot in his pocket, too, and he makes hunting history. A few years ago, for example, he went grouse hunting in Scotland. It is customary there, it seems, to hunt for mbutts, or blinds, strung in a line up a hill. The lowest blind is considered the worst and the hunters draw straws for them the first time, then move up in progression until each has had a shot from every blind.

This fellow drew the worst blind but got the first grouse. From then on almost every bird that flushed flew straight into the blind he happened to be in and he got them all. They're still talking about that in Scotland.

Of late, this man hasn't been hunting much . . . what with national defense, elections and all. But the other day, a friend, Stewart MacDonald, assistant federal loan administrator, finally persuaded him to take in a wild turkey shoot in Maryland, just across the West Virginia line.

From here on, it's McDonald's story: "I knew it, I knew it. I never saw anything like it. All afternoon we hunt, working every inch of ground we have time to cover. And what happens? We see two turkeys, both shots for him and him only, and he drops them with one shot each just as if he had been shooting wild turkeys every day of his life. Not another person got a chance to fire a gun. I never saw anything like it."

He is Jesse Jones, sometimes referred to as secretary of commerce, sometimes as federal loan administrator but always as one of the best hunters in this neck of the woods.

But This One Hates Guns
He saw Broadway and Forty-second street pass from the gold-and-champagne days of Rectors and "Diamond Jim" Brady and Ziegfeld and Anna Held to tawdry cross streets with grind movie houses, fruit juice stands, Minsky burlesques and flew circuses. He was manager of the famous old New Amsterdam theater up until the day that he gasped her last as a legitimate theater and put on the trappings of a cinema. He tells it this way:

"Do you know the first bad break the Amsterdam had? When they put in a shooting gallery next door. Yes, sir, that was the first. I knew it then and I was right. After that, cheap restaurants, fruit juice stands, gimcrack stores, movies, burlyques and all the rest . . . and finally the street was gone."

"I came to Washington after that to manage the National (the capital's only legitimate theater) and you can imagine how my heart sank when I walked up E street, looked across, and saw, almost next door to the theater, a shooting gallery."

"The other day a fellow was in here with a petition. It seems you have to have signatures of most of the property owners in the block before you can put in a shooting gallery and this fellow wanted to put in another shooting gallery on the other side of the National. I told him as gently as I could the story I just told you and then I said: My friend, I can't let you do it. If one shooting gallery can kill 42nd and Broadway, what do you think two would do to the National theater?"

His name is Edmund Plohn.

Russlin' Fan
For three hours, he sat at ringside in Arnie hall and cheered and roared and jumped to his feet and made motions to explain just what he meant as the grunt-and-struggle boys in the ring went through those wild gyrations of mythical slaughter that in these days passes for wrestling.

He whooped for the beefy heroes and hissed the bawled villains. He had a whale of a time.

He was Sen. Gerald P. Nye of North Dakota—relaxing.

Harrison in Hollywood

By PAUL HARRISON, NEA Service Correspondent

Steinbeck, a Newspaper Comic Fan, Says Strips Have Better Stories Than Movies

HOLLYWOOD — Short takes: Jean Steinbeck, who's writing a play now is a newspaper comic strip fan. But he regards Major Hoople, Captain Easy and Red Kyler and the rest with a semi-academic interest—says comic strips have ousder trmlic conuaction nd bitter dialog than mot movies.

That Shirley Temple-Metro deal is hot again, and the studio is cooking up a Rooney-Garland-Temple story. Another of those kid-musicals.

Last company to join the musical parade will be Warner Bros., now hastily trying to whip up a schedule of tune-shows. Since losing Dick Powell, Ruby Keeler and a few other stand-bys, they're figured for more than two years that there wasn't anybody to put into musicals. And yet, under contract and working only in talking roles is Dennis Morgan (once Stanley Moore), who under any name easily might become Hollywood's top singing lead. In a straight role in another picture is Olympe Bradna, pretty enough for glamor stardom and also the best acrobatic dancer in town.

Lupe Velez and Big Boy Williams, who are engaged, are appearing together in Universal's "Six Lessons From Madam La Zonga." And in one scene Lupa screams at him: "I would not marry you if you were the last man on earth!" . . . And speaking of Latin fury, Carmen Miranda in "The Road to Rio" will weave these articles at Don Ameche: Two books, four shad-candy, three bunches of flowers, one table knife, three coat hangers.

Ameche, by the way, has financed an elegant new restaurant that's to be run by his brother, Louis. Until recently, Louis was a truck driver at 20th-Fox, and somebody mentioned it to Papa Dominic Ameche and added, "How come, with Don a star, the other boy is just a truck driver?"

"He's not 'just a truck driver,'" roared the old man. "He's a dog-gone good truck driver!"

Those too-too mischievous Ritz Brothers were clowning around a fashion show at Palm Springs, and that absolutely-killing Jimmy grabbed a mink coat and began to model it over his bathing suit. So the utterly-hysterical Al and Harry pushed him, coat and all, into the pool. And now some deadly-serious authorities have handed the suddenly-sobered kiddies a bill for \$2000.

That gin-rummy game seems to be taking the place of all other chancey pastimes, especially now that the gambling houses have been closed in honor of a new district attorney. Three

of the town's pay-boys were taken for \$10,000 each the other evening. . . . There seems to be almost as much discussion of casting "For Whom the Bell Tolls" as there was about GWTW. Paramount will test Ernest Hemingway's 28-year-old bride, Martha Gellhorn, for the role of Maria.

I like the remark about the actress "who's so ritz her home in Beverly Hills has Venetian blinds in the key-holes."

And the objection of an executive to the buying of a popular novel. Oth-er biggies at the studio were enthusiastic about it, and the yanked the one disenter why it wouldn't make a good picture. "Take away its essentials," he replied, "and what have you got?"

There'll be a divorce announcement any day from Paulette Godard, Charlie Chaplin will spend the winter in Florida . . . Ann Miller is the latest to have her nose remodeled . . . The wonder-boy producer, Robert Sherwood, has hung another one on Movie-town: He'll bring out Elizabeth Bergner, sought for years by all studios, for her first Hollywood picture.

WE, THE WOMEN

Middle-Age Should Not Be Lonesome

By RUTH MILETT

"Middle-aged woman wants to feel needed by someone. Would gladly take care of small children while mother shops, teach a bride to cook, help make over clothes for a large family. No pay will be expected."

Did you ever see an ad like that in a paper? No, of course not.

Yet how often have you heard middle-aged women, their children grown, ask for sympathy with the old line, "Nobody needs me any more?" Plenty of times.

Yet they go on year after year without trying to find anyone who needs them.

The person who wants a job does not sit and wail, "No employer needs me." He goes out and finds an employer who does.

If these women would use the same get-up-and-get, they could find plenty of people who need their help. And they don't have to advertise either.

A little thought about the ways they see daily would show them that they could be useful.

A New York school teacher, the "Nobody needs me" type, continually, through the

POWERFUL RULER

HORIZONTAL

1 Famous Russian empress.
9 She was nicknamed "The —."
14 Drugs.
15 Cherry.
17 Scarlet.
18 Substance from aloes.
20 Small flap.
21 Deity.
22 Perturbed.
23 Convent dweller.
25 Half an em.
28 Pistol.
29 To lick up.
31 Parrot.
33 Kind of cheese.
34 To exist.
35 Hindustan dialect.
36 Aromatic berry.
38 Right (abbr.).
39 Morindin dye.
41 Evergreen tree.
42 Form of "I."
43 To rent.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

EDWARD STEINBECK
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EISENHOWER
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1 Company (abbr.).
2 Dress protector.
3 Bound.
4 Possessed.
5 And.
6 To respond to a stimulus.
7 Island.
8 To eject.
9 Grain (abbr.).
10 To soak flax.
11 Enthusiasm.

12 Photograph book.
13 Toward.
16 Unit.
19 Upon.
21 Military title.
22 To undermine.
24 Characters.
26 The major scale.
27 To spout forth.
29 Varnish ingredient.
30 Arguers.
32 Work of skill.
33 Hoax.
37 River embankment.
42 Dr-faults.
44 Diplomacy.
46 Form of "be."
47 Flat plate.
48 Auditory.
49 Opposed to warm.
51 Born.
53 Pattern block.
54 Spain (abbr.).
55 Doctor (abbr.).
57 Pronoun.
58 Road (abbr.).



ing some bright, ambitious, but poor, boy or girl in college.

She lived alone, and she hadn't a family, but she had the gumption to see that there were people who needed her—more people than she could help in a lifetime.

Any woman who really wants to could find just as good an answer to the "Nobody wants me" problem.

The trouble is, most women don't want to be needed by anyone but their own children.

SERIAL STORY DUDE COLLEGE

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YESTERDAY: Flying south with Andre and Lona, Ronnie sees the Border Patrol auto, moves to obey its signals to land. Lona turns on her in fury. Andre, who came from the coast, flies the plane himself. Lona kicks Andre's Indian drum out of the plane. Unobserved, Ronnie seizes a parachute, fastens its straps, dives from the plane.

OFFICER STARR EXPLAINS

CHAPTER XXX

"HER parachute's open, she's safe!" Wesley shouted frantically at the two officers in the autogiro plane. "T-thank God!"

"Use your rifle!" the pilot yelled. "Aim at the front of the cabin, the controls!"

But Officer Starr was already aiming, and he began firing with meticulous care. Crack! Crack! They just had to stop that monoplane now before it could outdistance the government ship!

"He's hit!" the pilot yelled. "He's got to land!"

There was no open field, no cleared spot. Obviously Girardeau was striving desperately. He did guide the crippled monoplane over huge boulders—then all at once it struck the earth, bounced twice and finally halted tail up against thick yucca growths. The autogiro was settling right near it.

Girardeau jumped from his plane and started running. The moment the autogiro touched earth Wesley York leaped out in pursuit, carrying Officer Starr's gun.

"HALT!" Wesley yelled.

GIRARDEAU shot back twice, ran on. The chase continued half a mile, each man dodging cacti, greasewood, rocks. All at once Wesley saw they had been running at an angle toward the spot where Ronnie landed, saw her unstrapping her chute to be free. She saw them then and began shouting.

Girardeau stopped abruptly behind a rock and shot back again and again, and Wes in turn dropped prone to resume shooting. He saw Girardeau's head go out of sight, and so he quickly sprang up and ran again. When Girardeau's head next showed, only a few feet separated them.

He himself couldn't have said what strange fury drove him, but Wes was on the fleeing man with a peculiar exultation. Both guns had been emptied, Wes literally dived at Girardeau in the last few feet to make a flying tackle such as any man who has played football knows.

They fought there furiously.

Ronnie came running toward them fast.

Girardeau suddenly gained his feet but Wesley straightened upward, swinging under Girardeau's guard. Splack! The man's head snapped back; he fell limp. In 60 seconds more Wesley had Girardeau's hands tied with his own necktie.

THE officers had found Lona Montoya dazed but not critically hurt, even though in the landing she had fared worse than Girardeau. Mr. Starr gave first aid. The Border Patrol pilot took to the air and when he saw that Girardeau was safely captured—with Wesley and Ronnie waving to him—he flew back a few miles, landed for a moment and promptly took off again for his return.

It was marvelous how he could set the autogiro down and lift it from small places. When he came to the crashed monoplane this time all the others had gathered there waiting, and he left the government ship carrying—surprisingly—Girardeau's Indian drum.

Still panting, Wes York stepped forward. He tore off the padding around the drum, then with pocket knife cut the rawhide head and took out the parcel concealed within it.

"You had the right hunch, Dr. York," Officer Starr said, calmly. "That's the bomb sight."

THE others—Ronnie especially—just looked on, enthralled. Lona and Girardeau had been handcuffed now.

"The U. S. Secret Service owes you a new hat, Dr. York," Starr went on. "You've lost yours. And there may be some points you and Miss Ronica want cleared up, eh?"

"-Yes!" Ronnie could barely mutter it, nodding.

"Well," the officer looked with obvious respect at Ronnie and Wesley both, "to tell you the truth, Girardeau isn't French, and the Montoya girl isn't Mexican. Our federal under-cover force has been checking close for weeks, the Mexican government co-operating. He's German; she's some Asiatic mixup, probably part Japanese at least. And she was playing him for a sucker all along—ha! She and some Jap agents have a secret cache in Rainbow Canyon, with radio and everything."

"Oh-h-h!" murmured Ronnie, wide-eyed. "So that's—"

"Finally," the officer went on. "She made Girardeau take the actual risk of stealing the bomb sight, but she would have taken it from him."

Wesley turned toward Lona herself. "Did—you have it—when we were out riding horseback? You hid it then!"

Surly for a moment, Lona finally nodded and spoke slowly, "Except for the autogiro I would have taken it to my own countrymen then, on the desert. Have they not been near the bombing field all the while waiting to observe the army tests? Yank!"

"Certainly," Mr. Starr agreed. "We kept a secret watch on that from the day Miss Ronica and I caught the five Japs. Watched you, too."

"Later to keep Andre from being suspicious I brought the bomb sight back. Anyhow, I wanted to take it from under his very nose!"

Starr resumed talking. "We know a lot more than we told anybody. But Dr. York, you sure saved us! We could get nothing clinched either way. I see now this Lona was working her treachery in two directions. And they would have gotten out of the country with this bomb sight today as sure as sin! An Indian drum—ha! And Bailey's own daughter!"

"I feel utterly flat," murmured Ronnie. "Wes, however did you know? You came—when I needed you most!"

Inspector Starr grinned. "You two kids talk that out while the pilot and I take the prisoners in. He'll come right back for you. Ship won't hold all six of us."

THEY watched the autogiro soar off like the weird mechanical bird it was, and when Wesley turned to Ronnie again he saw that she was still trembling and had slumped a bit as if tired. He put a comforting arm around her.

"Ronnie," said he, ever so gently, "it's all over now, except that I simply must—I've got to—uh, you—He swallowed. "Ronnie, this Lona was a type who tried to get everything in life through her feminine appeal. And this Girardeau had money and a smooth way of—"

"Must we talk about them, Wes?"

"No. No indeed, Ronnie! It wasn't what I—I—you—Ronnie could you ever be engaged to—a mere college professor? Ever?"

"Wesley York, if you don't kiss me—I I've been throwing myself at you for weeks, I love you so! And I know you love me. Or—do you?"

Dr. Woodrow Wesley York, Ph.D., could find no more words. But sometimes even a scholarly young man doesn't need them.

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